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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Michael Whittaker
Title: METHODS AND
COMPOSITIONS FOR
MEASURING BIOLOGICALLY
ACTIVE NATRIURETIC
PEPTIDES AND FOR
IMPROVING THEIR
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- [X] Response to Office action (11 pages).
- [X] Supplemental Declaration and Power of Attorney (3 pages).
- [X] Supplemental Application Data Sheet (3 pages).

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	Claims As Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Additional Claims Fee
Total Claims:	9	-	= 0	x \$50.00	= \$0.00
Independent Claims:	3	-	= 0	x \$200.00	= \$0.00
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:			+	\$360.00	= \$0.00
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[] Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,160.00	\$0.00
EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:		\$0.00
[] Statutory Disclaimer Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.20(d):	\$130.00	\$0.00
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[] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):		\$0.00
Extension Fees Previously Paid:		\$0.00
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